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SUBJ: 29TH UNGA--THIRD COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ON CHILE

1. IN CONVERSATION WITH MISOFF ON EVENING OF OCT 18, DUTCH REP (SPEEKENBRINK) MADE FOLLOWING COMMENTS ON CHILE RES AND RELATED ISSUES.

2. SPEEKENBRINK OPENED BY SAYING THAT HE DID NOT EXPECT USG TO SUPPORT MERGED RES BUT HOPED WE WOULD TAKE FOLLOWING INTO CONSIDERATION. BASIC GOAL OF DUTCH IS TO RID UN OF CHILE ISSUE. HRC REPORT CALLED FOR IN OP PARA 4 WOULD BE WRITTEN BY SECT (HUMAN RIGHTS DIVISION) AND THUS WOULD BE AN OBJECTIVE AND UP TO DATE ACCOUNT. ON BASIS OF THIS STUDY, DUTCH HOPE THAT NEXT UNGA COULD SIMPLY NOTE CONCLUSIONS OF STUDY WITHOUT GETTING INTO POLITICAL DEBATE. EVIDENCE OF SUFFICIENT AMELIORATION IN CHILEAN SITUATION MIGHT EVEN LEAD TO DROPPING OF CHILE ITEM FROM UNGA AGENDA. MISOFF COMMENTED THAT WE HAD NO OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED HRC STUDY BUT THAT OTHER PARAS IN RESOLUTION SEEMED TO PREJUDGE OUTCOME. SPEEKENBRINK SAID THESE PARAS NECESSARY TO GET CUBAN/ALGERIAN DRAFT COSPONSORS ON BOARD.

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3. SPEEKENBRINK SAID THAT IN HIS COMMENTS ON FLOOR, HE HAD EM-

PHASIZED THAT COSPONSORS OF MERGED RES HAD AGREED THAT IT WOULD BE ONLY GA EXPRESSION OF CONCERN ON CHILE, HE HAS NOW LEARNED THAT POLAND (ONE OF COSPONSORS) IS CIRCULATING IN SECOND COMITE DRAFT AMENDMENT TO UNCTAD RES WHICH WOULD CALL FOR CHILE TO RELEASE CERTAIN SPECIFIED POLITICAL PRISONERS, INCLUDING EX-FONMIN. HE WANTED TO ALERT US TO THIS POSSIBILITY.

4. SPEEKENBRINK SAID THAT HE HAD BEEN APPROACHED EARLIER IN DAY BY A PERSONAL REP OF GA PRESIDENT ASKING HIM TO AMEND OP PARA 5 SO AS TO INCLUDE SPECIFIC AUTHORIZATION TO DISPATCH A "SPECIAL REP" TO "INFORM HIMSELF ABOUT POLITICAL DETAINEES" IN CHILE AND TO REPORT BACK TO GA. SPEEKENBRINK REJECTED PROPOSAL ON GROUNDS THAT COSPONSORS HAD AGREED TO NO AMENDMENTS BUT CITED INCIDENT TO UNDERLINE DIRECT AND PERSONAL INTERST OF BOUTEFLIKA IN THIS EXERCISE. ON SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSAL, SPEEKENBRINK OPINED THAT GA PRESIDENT WANTED MORE SPECIFIC MANDATE FOR ACTION.
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